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**APPEAL BRIEF  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

The period for filing a Brief on Appeal has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 10, 2000. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation in the amount of \$110 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

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